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HEALTH DEPARTMENT

# G.O. No. 69, 8th January 1952

Rules—Madras Prevention of Adulteration Rules, 1932—Amendments—Issued.

READ—the following paper :—

From the Director of Medical Services, dated 14th November 1950,
Ref. No. 104208-M/50.

**Order—No. 69, Health, dated 8th January 1952.**

The appended notification will be published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* in English and in allt he District Gazettes in English and in the language or languages of the districts concerned.

The Senior Translator to Government is requested to furnish the Superintendent, Government Press, with translations of the notification in Tamil, Telugu Kannada and Malayalam languages.

(By order of His Excellency the Governor)

S. R. KAIWAR,
*Secretary to Government.*

To the Commissioner, Corporation of Madras (through the Mayor).
,, Commissioners of Municipal Councils (through the Chairmen concerned).
,, Presidents of District Boards.
,, Executive Officers of Panchayat Boards in whose area the Madras Prevention of Adulteration Act is in force.
,, The District Magistrates (with copies for other Magistrates).
,, Director of Medical Services.
,, Director of King Institute (through the Director of Medical Services).
,, Director of Public Health.
,, Superintendent, Government Press, for publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette.*
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# APPENDIX.

## NOTIFICATION.

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 20 of the Madras Prevention of Adulteration Act, 1918 (Madras Act III of 1918), His Excellency the Governor of Madras hereby makes the following amendments to the Madras Prevention of Adulteration Rules, 1932 (published with the late Local Self-Government Department Notification No. 1321, dated the 1st September 1932, at pages 881 to 883 of Part I-A of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated the 6th September 1932, as subsequently amended).

Rules 28-F, 36 and 37 hereby made shall come into force with effect on and from the 1st April 1952.

### AMENDMENTS.

In the said rules—

(1) in Part II, in rule 3, the words 'Health Officer' and rule 4 shall be omitted;

(2) in Part V, before rule 16, the following rule shall be inserted, namely:—

"*Goats and sheep's milk.*

15. (*a*) Where a sample of goat's milk or sheep's milk (not being sold or offered for sale as skimmed or separated goat's milk or sheep's milk) contains less than 3 per cent of milk-fat, it shall be presumed for the purposes of the Act, until the contrary is proved, that the milk is not genuine by reason of the abstraction therefrom of milk-fat or the addition thereto of water.

(*b*) Where a sample of goat's milk or sheep's milk, whether sold or offered for sale as goat's milk or sheep's milk or as skimmed or separated goat's milk or sheep's milk, contains less than 9 per cent of milk-solids other than milk-fat, it shall be presumed for the purposes of the Act, until the contrary is proved, that the milk is not genuine by reason of the addition thereto of water.

(*c*) Where a sample of goat's milk or sheep's milk, whether sold or offered for sale as goat's milk or as sheep's milk or as skimmed or separated goat's milk or sheep's milk contains less than 0·53 per cent of nitrogen, it shall be presumed for the purposes of the Act, until the contrary is proved, that the milk is not genuine by reason of the addition thereto of water.";

(3) in the note under rule 21, after the words "in rules," the figures, brackets and letter "15 (*c*)" shall be inserted;

(4) in rule 22, for the words "the cow or the buffalo", the words "cow, buffalo, goat or sheep" shall be substituted;

(5) in Part V, after rule 26, the following rules shall be inserted, namely:—

"*Coffee.*

26-A. (*a*) Coffee shall be the seed of cultivated varieties of *Coffea Arabica, C. Liberica and C. Robusta* freed from the seed-coat (pericarp) of the coffee fruit.

(*b*) Green, raw or unroasted coffee shall conform in variety and place of production to the name it bears.

(*c*) Roasted coffee shall be properly cleaned green coffee which, by the action of heat (roasting), has become brown and has developed its characteristic aroma, and shall not contain any admixture of other substances than coffee.

(*d*) Coffee whether sold or prepared for sale as green, raw or unroasted coffee, or as roasted coffee, shall be free from any artificial colouring matter and from any coating, facing, or glazing substance.

Where a sample of coffee does not comply with the standards prescribed in clauses (*a*), (*b*), (*c*) and (*d*) it shall be presumed for the purposes of the Act, until the contrary is proved, that the coffee is not genuine.

*Honey.*

26-B. (*a*) 'Honey' means the food derived entirely from the work of bees operating upon the nectar of flowers and other sweet exudation of plants and which is laevo rotatory and contains not more than 25 per cent water, not more than 0·25 per cent ash, not more than 5 per cent sucrose and not less than 60 per cent invert sugar.

(*b*) Where a sample of honey does not comply with all the standards specified in clause (*a*), it shall be presumed for the purpose of the Act, until the contrary is proved, that the honey is not genuine.

(*c*) No person shall write or have written the word 'honey' or any word equivalent in any other language, or any mark, illustration or device that suggests honey on the label of any package of, or in any advertisement relating to any food that resembles honey and is not pure honey."

(6) in Part VI—

(*a*) rule 27 shall be renumbered as sub-rule (1) of that rule and after the sub-rule as so re-numbered, the following sub-rule shall be added, namely :—

" (2) (*a*) No person shall add any water or any skimmed or separated milk to—

(*i*) goat's milk or sheep's milk, or

(*ii*) a mixture of goat's and sheep's milk intended for sale ; and

(*b*) No person shall either by himself or by any servant or agent, sell or offer or expose for sale, or have in his possession for the purpose of sale, goat's milk or sheep's milk to which any such addition has been made " ;

(*b*) after rule 28-E the following rule shall be inserted, namely :—

" 28-F. No person shall by himself or by his servant or agent—

(*a*) add any substance to coffee, whole or ground, or to tea intended for sale, under any description ; or

(*b*) sell or have in his possession for the purpose of sale or for use as an ingredient in the preparation of decoction or beverage intended for sale a mixture of coffee or tea and any substance prepared in imitation of or as a substitute for coffee or tea ; or

(*c*) have in his possession any substance in such circumstances as to raise the presumption that it is meant to be added to coffee or tea intended for sale under any description." ;

(*c*) after rule 28-F, the following rule shall be inserted, namely :—

" 28-G. No person by himself or by his servant or agent, shall, under any description, sell, or offer or expose for sale, or have in his possession for the purpose of sale, a mixture of honey with any substance prepared in imitation of or as a substitute for honey "

(7) (*a*) Part IX and the rules thereunder shall be omitted ;

(*b*) after Part VIII, the following part and rules shall be inserted, namely :—

" *Part IX—Rules under clauses (d) and (f) of sub-section* (2) *of section* 20.

36. No person shall use synthetic sweeteners, such as saccharin, in manufacturing food except food manufactured for the exclusive use of persons suffering from disease and when synthetic sweeteners are so used, their presence shall be legibly and conspicuously declared by name on the main panel of both the inner and outer labels of the package containing the food together with a statement that it is ' Prepared for the exclusive use of persons suffering from disease.'

37. No person shall sell any synthetic sweetener unless both the inner and outer labels of every package of such synthetic sweetener carry legibly and conspicuously a declaration to the effect that ' Saccharin (or any other sweetener as the case may be) is a chemical substance without nutritive value and that it should be used in moderation.'

38. Whoever commits a breach of rules 36 and 37 shall be punishable—

(*a*) in the case of a first conviction, with fine which may extend to one hundred rupees ; and

(*b*) in the case of a subsequent conviction, with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees " ;

(8) in Part X, rules 42 and 43 shall be re-numbered as rules 39 and 40 respectively and for rule 44, the following rules shall be substituted, namely :—

" *Arrow-root.*

41. (1) In these rules, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context, ' arrow-root ' means the separated and purified starch from the rhizomes of the plant known as *Maranata Arundinacea* Linn.

(2) No person shall sell or offer or expose for sale or deposit in any place for sale or despatch or deliver to any purchaser, broker or agent, any sample of ' arrow-root ' which does not comply with the standard specified in sub-rule (1) unless a label is affixed with a description thereon that the arrow root is ' not suitable for invalid diet.'

42. Whoever commits a breach of rules 40 and 41 shall be punishable—

(*a*) in the case of a first conviction, with fine which may extend to one hundred rupees ; and

(*b*) in the case of a subsequent conviction, with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees."

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